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This Week's Change.

The publishers of the Saturday News desire to make a brief reference to the change which has taken place in the paper this week. With the growth of the publication, they have found it impracticable to maintain the size of the sheet that has been in use up to the present. It was mechanically impossible to keep the various departments together and they came to the conclusion that the increase in size would give the paper a neater and more compact appearance. While some may not approve of the change at first, it is felt that they will do so in the end.

As for the quality of paper that is used in this issue, the publishers regret that it is lighter than it was their intention to use. A misunderstanding of the order given to the manufacturers is responsible for the failure to provide a heavier stock. However, just as soon as the mistake was discovered, another order was wired east and other and better paper will be utilized, just as soon as the railway can bring it to Edmonton. Such are some of the difficulties of carrying on business some thousands of miles from the source of supplies.

The present paper, while consisting but twelve pages, is equivalent to twenty six of the old size of pages; so that the move marks no inconsiderable expansion. An increase from six pages to twenty six pages in the period of less than a year and a half that the Saturday

Note and Comment

A well-known Liberal of the Edmonton district who has been a reader of the Saturday News since its inception stopped his subscription the other day.

"I want to tell you," he said, "in doing so that Frank Oliver knows more about the needs of this country than any other man in public life and that when a whippersnapper of an editor starts to jump on him, I don't want to take the paper in which the attacks are made."

Our former subscriber's statement calls for some notice. In the first place, the Saturday News has never called into question Mr. Oliver's knowledge of Western conditions and in most cases his judgment in dealing with them, it believes, has been excellent. A reference to the files of this paper will show that on frequent occasions the course which he has adopted at Ottawa has been warmly approved of. This was the case, for instance, but a few weeks ago when his land bill was introduced and some very strong criticism of the measure came from within the western Liberal ranks.

But if we are to only retain our subscribers, who happen to be Liberal workers, by guaranteeing not to find fault with the Minister of the Interior, we are afraid that we shall have to let them go. The Bulletin is the only paper that will satisfy them. It at least can be de-

no "that Mr. Oliver has evaded the point at issue and has been too lenient with his predecessor and colleague, Mr. Tupper."

"The Government pulled out of the case, whether intentionally or unintentionally, for their dear friend, McKenzie, who gathered in the swing. It is one of the weaknesses of the party system in parliament that when a matter of this sort comes up for discussion, the vote taken is not based on the right or the wrong, but upon the stripe of politics the members wear."

Following up the remark made by the Plaindealer, we have a long article in the Red Deer Advocate of last week. These, it should be remembered, are the two leading Liberal papers in Strathcona constituency in fact the only two that are given to expressing editorial opinions. The Advocate recites the facts of the case and adds:

"The department would have been better advised, under all the circumstances, had it withdrawn the land from homesteading and put it up to public competition and not put the present Minister, loyal to his predecessor as he was, under the necessity of putting up a defence which was not satisfying as showing that the public interests as distinct from those of the rival claimants, had been adequately considered. As to this matter of political pull and it looks as if Mr. Sifton had strained a point in this Blairmore case in favor of MacKenzie—the Advocate has observed that, in politics, in municipal affairs in the church, in society there are all kinds of pulls—and that merit

low tariff. This singular change will doubtless come in the day when the leopard changes his spots."

Has the leopard changed its spots since the Liberal convention of 1893 resolved that the existing tariff was founded on an unsound and unjust principle and Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared "we will relieve the people of protection, which is a fraud, a delusion and a robbery?" Can anyone deny that protection is quite as much the underlying principle of the present tariff as it was of that of ten years ago? No matter what fiscal policy the Conservatives adopt, they need not fear an attack on the ground of inconsistency.

If they are to have the slightest chance of success at the next general election, it is very necessary for them to get together at an early date and decide what their policy is to be. For some years back, they have not been a national party at all. They need stronger leaders and a few vitalizing issues. The Conservative paper in Halifax, the Herald, recently published a most significant article. Under Mr. Borden's direction, it says, the Opposition is merely joggling along "in the hope that Sir Wilfrid Laurier cannot live forever, and that by the mere ebb and flow of years the present Government may be turned out of power." The Herald proceeds to say:—"To the earnest thinkers of the country, who perceive that government in the future must see to it that wealth is more fairly dis-

Canada. Where one publication entered the United States, a hundred American ones must have come into Canada. Such a state of affairs was a bad thing for Canadian publishing in every way, and the complaints that are now being made are very short sighted. As for the charge that the governments' action was dictated by a desire to shut out the literature of exposure which is coming from the United States, it is difficult to understand how it can be made in earnest. There are excellent publications across the line but it is not with them that Canada has been flooded. The bulk of the reading matter that we have received from American sources could do nothing but harm. It certainly does not tend to give us higher public ideals. It is better for us to work out our problems through our own agencies, journalistic and otherwise. What reading matter we do import should come from the Mother Country rather than from the republic and this is a result which, it is hoped, the new arrangements, for which Mr. Lemieux is responsible, will bring about.

Lethbridge celebrated its first birthday as a city last week in suitable fashion, a procession and a programme of sports taking place during the day time and a banquet in the evening. The southern city is making great strides. With its many natural advantages and its progressive citizenship, nothing will hold it back.

programme of sports and races has been provided for and a good time is assured all who attend. Very unfortunately the Canadian Northern Railway will be unable to supply a special train from Edmonton for the occasion on account of their available passenger equipment being required to handle the very heavy volume of traffic on their regular trains. The attendance from Edmonton is not likely to be anything like what it would be were transportation available. The celebration is being held for the benefit of the new hospital that is to be built at the Fort.

The Canadian Courier in a recent issue paid a notable tribute to Dr. McIntyre M.P. for Strathcona, referring in particular to the success he achieved in securing a reduction of the maximum railway passenger rate to three cents a mile, except in British Columbia and the Yukon.

"Without a single speech in the House," said the Courier "without any appeal to the gallery or blaze of skyrockets, McIntyre, M.P. has accomplished a great reform and won his right to be considered an able Parliamentarian."

The praise thus accorded is thoroughly deserved. The Saturday News, at an early stage in the Doctor's career as a member, expressed an exceedingly high opinion of the care and ability that he brought to the discharge of his duties and it is not at all surprised that he has succeeded in impressing his personality upon all who have followed closely the proceedings of the session just ended. On one or two occasions, we looked up the division lists



An Evidence of the Rate at Which Things Move in the Canadian West—Stettler, a View Taken When the Town Was Ten Months Old.

News has been published is by no means trifling. And at that, space for both advertising and reading matter is at a premium.

Several other matters should be called attention to. Some weeks ago we asked all Edmonton subscribers who wished their papers delivered to send in their addresses. The list of these is by no means complete and till a larger number do as is requested, we would not be warranted in commencing the service.

The change in the postal regulations makes it necessary to pay extra postage on all papers sent to the United States. All existing subscriptions will be carried out at the old rate but those requiring the paper sent to points across the line in the future will have to send 50 cents extra to cover postage for a year, in addition to the regular subscription price of \$1.50.

A new feature that will prove of great interest is commenced in this issue. In the department of "The Alberta Farmer" "Cy Slocum from the Territory" has the first of a series of articles, containing his observations on Western Canada.

Morang and Co. of Toronto have been awarded the contract of supplying readers to the public schools of both Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The Canadian Pacific is putting on a new tri-weekly transcontinental train to make the run to Vancouver twelve hours faster than the present express. The new train will cover 2,804 miles in less than 85 hours.

peeled upon never to give offence in this respect.

As for the Saturday News, it does not believe in the infallibility of any man, however much of a hero he may be in the eyes of his party. If we have criticized Mr. Oliver, it is because we believe he deserved it. If we have been unfair to him, our columns are open to anyone to show what particulars we have been. As in the instance to which we have referred, the cause of complaint was our treatment of the Blairmore case, it might be well to point out the though we have been very specific in our charges against the Department over which Mr. Oliver presides his paper has made no attempt to answer these. It has begged every issue that has been raised on this page.

Such a policy may meet with the approval of such dyed-in-the-wool partisans as the gentleman who objected to having the truth told him through our columns, but it will not satisfy intelligent electors, either within or without the party ranks. We have reason to know that in this Blairmore case the stand which we have taken has commended itself to all who have investigated and considered the facts for themselves. Scores of prominent Liberals have expressed their opinion to the editor of this paper privately and the best element in the Liberal press of the province has not been silent.

"It does seem to us," said the Strathcona Plaindealer some weeks

and justice, as a rule, have to buck up against every variety of side influences. The money pull is the biggest influence in politics the man or the corporation with the dust can get pretty nearly anything they want."

No criticism could be friendlier to Mr. Oliver in its tone. It is particularly damning because it is so. The present Minister entered public life as an independent. He has always had the reputation of being a man to form his own opinions and to stick by them regardless of the consequences. Does the picture which the Advocate presents, place him in this light? Has he come to the stage when considerations of party loyalty will cause him to defend whatever his party associates have done, however crooked and indefensible it may be?

The following is taken from the Winnipeg Free Press: "The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto News looks for 'singular and interesting changes' in the future position of the Canadian parties on the perennial question of the tariff. He says the Conservative party is 'confronted with a new situation, and among the possible developments is its lapse into low tariff advocacy. Apart from the temptation to any Opposition to espouse all views antagonistic to the practice of the Administration, the pressure from the west is becoming severe.' The same opinion has been expressed by others; but it is hard to imagine the Conservative party as an advocate of a

tributed, that the great public services and utilities of the country are administered for the public, and that the lives of the plain people must be brightened and made happier if Government is to exist at all, the Tory minority in the House of Commons today does not appeal in the slightest. It is hard to show to anyone what benefit would accrue to Canada by a change of Government."

The situation is a most unsatisfactory one. A great opportunity is open to the opposition but it shows little indication of taking advantage of it. There is some talk going on about Mr. Borden's reported intention of bringing Mr. Roblin of Manitoba to his aid. Such a step would be disastrous. Mr. Roblin won out in the recent provincial election but he is very far from an admirable type of politician. The Conservatives have enough irresponsibilities among Mr. Borden's present lieutenants without adding the Manitoba premier to the list. If they desire new blood from the west, the man they should secure is Mr. Haultain. He is the best man available on this side of the lakes.

Many newspapers down east are raising a disturbance because they have to pay extra postage on the part of their circulation that they have to send across the line. The agitation is ridiculous in view of the fact that the Canadian Press Association is principally responsible for the Postmaster-General's move. The advantage of the change is all with

A guild for civic improvement has been organized in Edmonton which has a great field of usefulness open to it. A great many societies for the attainment of public objects have been formed of late in the city but none that are more necessary than this. When the progress that has been made during the first year towards the attainment of the objects of the Guild is considered, a person feels quite justified in believing that ten years hence Edmonton will be not only one of the largest and most prosperous industrial and commercial centres but one of the most attractive residential cities in the Dominion.

The city council has increased the salaries of the Commissioners, that of Mr. Kinnaird to \$3000 and that of Mr. Pace to \$2500. The remuneration is none too large in view of the heavy responsibilities which are placed upon the officials. But for the move, it was understood that the municipality would have lost the services of at least one of them. The city's business is at present in a most satisfactory condition which for the present hard working executive officers are mainly responsible.

Incidentally it should be noted that Mayor Griesbach refused to consent to a proposal to increase his remuneration for this year.

The people of Fort Saskatchewan have made arrangements for a mammoth celebration at that point on Victoria Day. A fine pro-

in the hope of finding that the representative of Strathcona had broken away from the Government majority but were disappointed. Let us hope that the habit of always voting with his party is one from which he grows older in parliamentary life he will be able to shake off. A man of his character has nothing to gain by doing so.

As for what Dr. McIntyre has been able to accomplish in the reduction of railway rates, it should be noted that in taking the stand that he did he was strongly supported by the resolutions of several influential public bodies, notably the Alberta Farmers' Association and the Associated Boards of Trade. Mr. Fisher, on behalf of the latter, appeared before the railway commission when it visited Edmonton last autumn and presented its claims. However these facts should in no way detract from the credit due Dr. McIntyre.

Cardston will be placed on a "Pay-as-you-go" basis, after June 1st. The retail business houses have entered into a bona fide hard and fast agreement to conduct all sales on a strictly spot cash system. For each and every violation of the terms of the agreement they forfeit \$200. The agreement signed by all, remains in force for two years. The respective firm's books are open to inspection at all times. Three thousand circulars have been mailed out informing the customers of the change and a public notice is published in the local papers.

The Liggins property has been purchased by the Leduc council for a park. The price paid was \$110 per acre.

The Methodists and Presbyterians intend to build a union church at Gleichen.

The Week in Calgary

As Reviewed by the Correspondent of the Saturday News

Difficulties in the Municipal Ownership Programme---Secrecy in the City's Business---Col. Walker's Election---The New Y. M. C. A.

Calgary's new Y.M.C.A. building will be the finest edifice in Canada belonging to the Association until the magnificent new quarter million dollar building in Ottawa is erected. Its cost will be \$800,000, several features not usual in Association buildings, but very desirable. Among them will be a number of dormitories, thirty nine in all, which will be rented to members of the Association. A restaurant to serve meals at all hours is another very desirable innovation, especially in this city where the restaurants are high-priced but scarcely high class. Still another new feature will be a number of "rest" rooms, designed specially for railroad men, who may use them at any hour of the day or night.

The site has one feature which has aroused a little anxiety in some minds its proximity to the railroad tracks. The building will be out of the freight district, however, and so will not be much affected by the heavier shunting. The site is very central and an admirable one in all other essential respects.

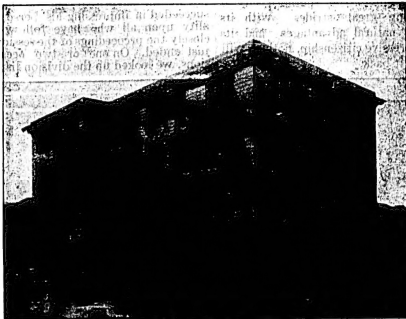
The by-law for a municipal telephone system was at least presented prematurely, for two reasons: First, a financial one the city has already passed a number of money bills this year, involving an immense expenditure, and had in abeyance the mammoth but indispensable undertaking for a waterworks system. The council had already found that it was not an easy matter to secure funds for so many large undertakings. Some of those adopted will probably have to lie on the shelf for some time.

No sensible man will object to secret caucuses in the Mayor's office, or to the aldermen talking things over all their throats will stand before bringing a matter before a committee, but where a proposition is ready for a committee's action, then it is ready for the public. Two months' of closed committee meetings have been enough for Calgary's city council. They have learned that it places upon them an onus of suspicion, and that their action is a thousand years behind the time.

The election of Colonel Walker to the vacancy on the school board adds a worthy member to a splendid board. Calgary has reason to be proud of its school trustees, its buildings and its system.

An expedition unique, romantic, and heroic was the one which passed up the north line the other day. A company of constables going to guard the interests of Canadians commercial concerns up near the North Pole is not a new incident, but certainly it is worthy of more than a passing thought, nevertheless.

Two thousand miles from a railroad, far removed from any agricultural or industrial movement, limited to an annual mail, these men will spend two years of their lives in an isolation almost as complete as if they were in the moon. Something in the way of reward will come to them in the novelty and romance of the expedition, nevertheless Canada should feel proud of the volunteers for the service, the picturesque and efficient force to which they belong without a peer in the world—and the recognition in



CALGARY'S Y.M.C.A.

Again, there is the question of management. It is scarcely probable that anyone is so rash as to imagine that an electric street railway, a waterworks system, an electric lighting plant, municipal telephones, a civic hospital, etc., can be managed successfully, in addition to all the other civic work, by any one small commission.

Then, where is Calgary to get immediately the boards of management? There are very many capable business men here, but in addition to the departments of civic life already enumerated, there is a school board, a board of trade, a library, board, etc. to be maintained.

The conclusion is that Calgary is up against a condition that will cause its really loyal citizens more puckered brows than the "fifth proposition" was ever capable of. Municipal ownership is a great thing, per se, but the trouble here is that without any experience thereof Calgary is wading out into the untried waters beyond its depth before it has well learned the theory, let alone the practice, of breasting its waves. There is always the possibility of taking a bigger bite than will go down at one swallow, whereas two bites under the same circumstances would make everything lovely and be more genteel.

After continued agitation by the press, the civic committees are again to be moved to the next power of at least a meter, to that effect will be introduced at the meeting of the council on Monday night, and it is not probable that it will be voted down.

To Alderman Watson, the capable, energetic chairman of the waterworks committee, being the result of making the first break. He finds that public works is a valuable asset to the city, and that the committee and their undertakings have more to lose than to gain by shutting out the means of communication which exists between them and the outside world. In the form of city hall reporters

this Dominion of the rights of all its citizens to protection wherever they may be.

It is time that Canadians woke up to the fact that their country possesses in individuality in its physical conditions, in its constitution and in its history, of which they ought to show more appreciation than they do infinitely more. There is a glorious opportunity for the Canadian clubs to do still more to justify their existence by working up fitting recognition of Canada's national day.

It is a lamentable fact that the great days of the Mother Country and the land to the south of us are very often given far more recognition than our own. Canada has no need to apologise for its existence nor to display the servility exhibited so often and brought to its climax by the hoisting of the American flag on Winnipeg's city hall the fourth of July last year.

BORN.

Green, On Monday May 6th, to Dr. and Mrs. Green, Strathcona a daughter.

Murray, In Wetaskiwin on the 6th inst. to Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Murray, a daughter.

Hall, On May 8, at Sunnyside, the wife of Albert Hall, of twin boys.

Wood, At Innisfail, on Sunday, April 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. George Wood, of Lake View, a son.

MARRIED.

Hansen, Spencer, At Lamont, on May 10, by Rev. A. Forbes, Fort Saskatchewan, assisted by Rev. A. McDonald of Leduc, Mr. Swan Han on, Fort Saskatchewan, to Miss Eliza Spencer of Victoria.

Owen, MacFarlane, On the 29th of April, at St. George's church, Banff, by the Rev. C. Bathurst Hall, Hugh Owen, F.C.R., of No. 14 Highgate, London, England, and Elizabeth S. MacFarlane, youngest daughter of the late John C. MacFarlane, of Port Robinson, Ont.

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Elder, Johnston--At the parsonage, Wetaskiwin, on the 8th inst., by Rev. J. H. Bowering, Thos. R. Elder to Miss Isabelle Johnston, both of Millet.

Phillips--Witherspoon--At Edmonton, by Rev. C. H. Huettis of McDougall Methodist Church, on Thursday, May 2nd, Danby Phillips of Fort Saskatchewan, to Miss Eva Witherspoon of Stoney Plain.

Graff, Shand--In the First Baptist Church, Edmonton, by Rev. A. McDonald, J. Graff of Fort Saskatchewan, to Miss Shand of Poplar Lake.

DIED.

Richardson--At the General Hospital, Edmonton, on May 13, Mrs. Grace Richardson, daughter of C. W. Campbell, Woodside, Quebec, in her 39th year.

Galbraith--On May 3rd at Guelph, Ont., Mrs. F. W. Galbraith, mother of Dr. Galbraith of Lethbridge, and of F. W. Galbraith, editor of the Red Deer Advocate.

Gully--At the residence of her son-in-law, Charles Carey, Seventh street, Mrs. John Gully, formerly of Toronto.

Cochran--Near Innisfail, on Thursday, May 2nd, Wm. Cochran, aged 73 years.

The Presbyterian church and the new Merchant's Bank buildings are under construction at Daysland.

A Calgary real estate man, named Curry, has been arrested at Innisfail, charged with the theft of \$270, the first payment on lots which he had sold.

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By-law No. 105

A by-law to provide for the raising of the sum of \$50,000.00 to be paid to the City Hospital by way of a bonus.

WHEREAS the City Hospital has made application to the Municipal Council of the City of Edmonton for a grant of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a building for Hospital purposes and the council deem it expedient to make the said grant upon the following conditions (and others, to be agreed upon between the City and the Directors of the Hospital, namely that the control of the Hospital shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be elected by the ratepayers in a manner similar to that in which Aldermen are elected, and that pending the passing of legislation authorizing this procedure the control be vested in the now existing Board of Directors co-operating with a committee of the persons to be appointed by the Municipal Council.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said sum of \$50,000.00 should be borrowed for the purpose aforesaid by means of the issue of debentures of the City for an amount not exceeding that sum and that the said sum shall be payable during the period of 40 years from the date of the debentures to be issued therefor and should bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum and should be repayable in such manner that each instalment of principal and interest shall be as nearly as possible equal in each year of the said period of forty years.

AND WHEREAS the amount of the whole rateable property in the City according to the last revised Assessment Roll is \$7,048,845.88, and WHEREAS the total amount of the existing debenture debt of the City exclusive of local improvement debts secured by special assessment is \$1,118,624.59, of which no part is in arrear.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that this by-law should take effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the City of Edmonton duly assembled, enact as follows:

1. The Mayor and Secretary-Treasurer of the City of Edmonton are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow for the purposes aforesaid in the name and on behalf of the city a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate sum of \$50,000.00, and to issue one or more debentures of the city for such sum or sums so borrowed.

2. The said indebtedness shall be paid and the said debentures shall be made payable during a period of 40 years from the date of the issue of such debenture or debentures and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum and shall be repayable in such manner that each instalment of principal and interest shall be as nearly as possible equal in each year of the said period of 40 years.

3. This by-law shall take effect on the final passing thereof.

4. The votes of the burgesses for and against this by-law shall be taken at the council chamber in the city hall in the City of Edmonton on Monday the 3rd day of June, 1907, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

5. Neville P. Harbottle is hereby appointed returning officer, and Harry J. Helliwell deputy returning officer, to take the votes at the time and place aforesaid.

6. The said council chamber at the hour of 11 a.m. of Saturday the 1st day of June 1907, is hereby fixed as the time when and the place where the Mayor will be present and make all such proper appointments as he may be requested to make of persons to attend at the polling place and at the final summing up of the votes by the returning officer on behalf of the persons interested in promoting or opposing the passing of the by-law.

7. The said council chamber at the hour of 5.30 p.m. of Monday the 3rd day of June 1907, is hereby fixed as the place where and the time when the returning officer will sum up the number of the votes given for and against this by-law.

PASSED provisionally in Council this 8th day of May 1907.

W. A. GRISBACH, Mayor.

F. M. C. Crookill, Secretary-Treasurer.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the above is a true copy of a proposed by-law which has been introduced and which may be passed by the council, in event of the assent of the burgesses being obtained thereto, within four weeks of the voting thereon and that upon the day and at the place fixed for taking the votes by the burgesses thereon, namely Monday the 3rd day of June, 1907, at the city council chamber, the voting thereon will be held between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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On his return from the East to the Hermitage at Pincher Creek, Rev. Father Lacombe was honored by his parishioners who presented the veteran missionary priest with addresses in French and English, accompanied by a handsome candelabra, chair and kneeling stool. After extending a welcome, the addresses referred to the appreciation and recognition which had everywhere been shown him while on his trip. The great work of the Rev. Father during the fifty four years he has spent in the west in the interests of Christianity, were eulogized, and the hardships, dangers and adventures experienced by him in years gone by while endeavoring to bring the wild red man into the fold of the Christian religion were referred to. Mention was made also of the Rev. Father's noble work during the time of the terrible small pox scourge of 1870, of the influence he exercised over the Blackfoot, Blood and Peigan Indians at the time of the rebellion and also at the time of the C.P.R. construction.

The address, made in the following words: "A life so heroic and romantic is interesting enough to form a theme fit to rank with any of Parkman's noble missionaries during the early days of western America. When your memoirs are written, your name will grace the early history of the west as one of its bright and noble figures. We are proud of you indeed and highly honored to be in such close touch with you dear Father. As a remembrance of this occasion, your host of loving and loyal friends wish you to accept the accompanying gift and earnestly hope that you may long be spared to enjoy the twilight of your noble life in our growth. The hermitage at Pincher Creek among the people you so well love." Pitting acknowledgment was made by Father Lacombe.

The intimation that Col. Sam. Steele is to return to the west as district officer commanding for Alberta and Saskatchewan has been received with no small satisfaction. Although the Canadian has been that his abilities received due recognition in South Africa, it has been felt that his place was in the Dominion. With a close association with military activity in the new provinces, he should be able to accomplish much in placing the militia on a better basis. In 1883 Col. Steele was in command of the R.N.W.M.P. at Medicine Hat and in 1887 at Calgary. No officer ever did more to enforce respect for the law at this critical stage in our growth. His exploits in the Northwest Rebellion and in South Africa, as the head of the Strathcona Horse, are a matter of national history. Where his headquarters will be is not announced.

The permanent corps to be established in the two provinces under the command of Major A. H. Macdonnell D.S.O., an officer of extended experience in South Africa and Nigeria. He was in command of one of the companies in the first Canadian contingent and it was in that capacity that he won the distinguished service order.

Another military man, who has just been appointed to a most responsible position in the civil service of the province, also won that distinction in South Africa. The reference is to Major L. E. W. Irving D.S.O., who succeeds to the provincial medical health officer's place. Major Irving was a member of the Canadian artillery force and assisted in the operations of the Canadian Expedition to Canada. He resumed the practice of his profession. A year ago he joined the movement to the West. Last autumn he was appointed city medical health officer in Edmonton, in which capacity he has rendered most excellent service.

Associated with Major Macdonnell on the first Canadian contingent was Dr. Charles W. Wilson of Montreal, who acted as surgeon major of the corps. Dr. Wilson has been paying a visit to Edmonton for some weeks past in the interests of a financial syndicate. He is a great enthusiast in regard to the future lying before the city and country and proposes to return about the middle of July to make a trip to the Peace River country. For many years he has been a prominent physician in the Eastern commercial metropolis. He is the youngest of five and is the oldest and warmest friends and to him the habitant post dedicated some of his work. In fact Canada is under no small obligation to Dr. Wilson for having encouraged the Dr. Drummond to continue the

writing of habitant verse. Its merits he recognized long before it attained anything like general popularity.

It is expected that Hon. Walter Scott will return to his home in Regina about the middle of the month. The improvement in his health has been far from rapid and his friends have been gravely concerned in regard to it. It is feared that it will be some time yet before he is able to resume his old time activity.

The death of Rev. J. H. Morgan in Winnipeg recently removes a Methodist minister, who occupied a large place in the life of the denomination in the west and who had many friends throughout Alberta. Twenty years ago he was stationed at Lethbridge.

H. J. Bonysteady Dale, one of the former students of natural and wild life on the continent, and a prolific contributor to the popular periodicals, has arrived in Victoria with the intention of making it his home. He has been attracted to Victoria in the belief that there he will find in a superlative degree all the conditions which will serve him best in the pursuit of his hobby.

A columnist reporter was afforded the pleasure of an interview with the students of the R.N.W.M.P. in the field of your study life," he asked. "Why, everywhere. Your coast and islands, your lakes and rivers are crowded with animated wonder, most suitable for the camera, note book and pen. I hope to stay here long—as long as I live. I am glad to be back under the old flag. There is no other Europe here that gives such a feeling of security as does the Union Jack."

At the first of the week Inspector Jarvis of the R.N.W.M.P. with a noncommissioned officer and four men left Edmonton for the Arctic ocean. They are to relieve Inspector Howard and his companions at Herschel Island, which is in the neighborhood of 2000 miles from the capital of Alberta. Edmonton is however, "town" to all the intervening country. Inspector Jarvis has seen service for many years and under a great variety of conditions with the Mounted Police. Incidentally he saw hard service in South Africa and gave an excellent account of himself. He is a member of a well known Toronto family and a brother of Harold Jarvis, the celebrated Canadian tenor soloist.

Mr. John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the Toronto Telegram, has shown his interest in Alberta and in the gentleman who has been selected as the first provincial librarian, by presenting the first volume of a course of time which should become a large and valuable collection of books. Mr. Buchanan was formerly the city editor of Mr. Robertson's newspaper and was very closely associated with him in other ways. The gift is a copy of Morgan's Canadian Men and Women.

The death is announced at Lethbridge of Mr. William Stafford, who has been a resident of that city since 1882 and has been closely identified with its development. He located the Galt mines and was their first superintendent. Later he became the first inspector of mines for Alberta.

Camrose and McLeod are both urging their claims to the provincial insane asylum. Messrs R. L. Rushon and J. A. McNamara appeared on behalf of the former place before the Cabinet this week and Malcolm Mackenzie M.P.P. on behalf of the latter.

The fourth annual convention of the Associated Boards of Trade of Western Canada will take place at Prince Albert on June 18th, 19th and 20th. The Edmonton board will be represented by Messrs Geo. Stockand, P. T. Fisher, K. W. Macdonnell, J. C. Dowsett and A. G. Harrison.

Mr. C. A. Magrath of Lethbridge has returned from a lengthy tour, visiting numerous provinces and going on to India for an extended stay.

Mr. Hebert St. John of the American Review of Reviews, has been visiting Alberta on a journalistic mission.

Rev. Father P. Lemarchand of Calgary, who has been a prominent figure in the church life of the southern city for some years, has been transferred to the church of the Immaculate Conception, Kinslunville, Edmonton.

Mr. H. E. Hyde has resigned the management of the Union Bank at Pincher Creek and has been succeeded by Mr. D. Ashley of Gretna, Manitoba.

Mr. George Deady late of the Hotel O'Connell, Ont., has been appointed assistant manager of the Alberta and Windsor Hotels Edmonton. Messrs Secord and Secord are congratulated on their success in his services as thousands of travelling men who have covered Ontario in recent years will testify.

Mr. Fred Cromwell has left on a two months' trip to New York and the southern States.



Recently, Sir Francis Burnand, former editor of London Punch, lecturing at Chester, said that experience had taught him that the witless absurd to be original, or the absurd situation fondly imagined to be absolutely new, had as a rule, already appeared in Punch.

The knight gave his audience to understand that there is a sort of joke index in the possession of the paper he edited with so much success.

Mr. Punch had only to refer to one of his own volumes to find the joke in a state of perfect preservation, like the fly in the amber. It is a wonder that the lot of the supposed humorist is like that of the policeman, whom we saw in the Pirates of Penzance, anything but a happy one? Think what effect the supposed humorist has on the policeman over him must have. The poet knew what he was talking about when he wrote:

Just try to wear a solemn phiz
Be sober if you can.
It is a very serious thing
To be a funny man.

Speaking from personal experience, I have read practically all the current humor for close onto twenty years, and can vouch, as hundreds of others can, for the truth of what Sir Francis says. But the astonishing thing is that it is not what appear to me the best jokes that are repeated the most frequently. Editors of English comic papers recently told me the joke that they considered the best that had ever come under their notice. It was very interesting to learn the different ideas that even they had of what constitutes humor. Among ordinary individuals the contrasts would likely be greatly increased.

How would it do if some of my readers, sent me what they consider the best joke they ever heard. There are few who like to keep good things of this character to themselves.

To start the ball rolling I shall tell you what to my mind is the most humorous thing I have ever come under my notice. I don't know whether I have told it in this column or not but here goes:

A town council was in session in South Carolina, when the great earthquake struck that State. When the buildings began to shake, mayor and aldermen ran outside in terror. Next day the clerk went back to write up his minutes and concluded as follows: "On motion of town hall, the council adjourned."

Now let me hear from someone else.

Fortunately for all of us, except the coal men, the season of snow and ice is now a thing of the past; of course it may be also of a thing of the immediate future—comprehended in the period between the time of writing and the hour that the Saturday News goes to press. But just at present, the birds are singing and even the butterflies making their appearance and the long and dreary winter seems like a horrible nightmare. Poor Spring! She has had a hard time of it! Winter lingered so long in her lap that the old girl's knees nearly gave way altogether.

As there is a variety in spring weather, so is there in spring poetry. What do you think of this, for a product of the twentieth century? Soon shall the frequent bicycles And roaring motor car Be quite as rare as icicles In summer solstice are.

Yes! They'll be dead as Pharoah's mummy.

It seems to me indeed—
When all prefer the aeroplane
For comfort rest and speed.
Yet nervous folk will, availing
At the mode, find full soon
The safest way of travelling
By steerable balloon.
For ecstasy then singing out
To rest at last she can.
With Mary Jane going out
With her discreet young man.

Then quite intent on gaining it,
And one in heart and mind,
When we go aeroplaning it,
"Tis heaven, my own, we'll find.
Why well agreed between us'll
This plan we cherish still—
We'll honeymoon where Venus is—
By Jupiter, we will!

It is no new thing for literature to be put to commercial uses. J. M. Barrie's "My Lady Nicotine" had no sooner attained popularity

than an enterprising tobacco merchant put "the Arcadia mixture" on the market. I haven't commercial instincts myself, but here's a suggestion of which I think some one might take advantage. You remember the line in Oliver Goldsmith's description of Auburn, "The Deserted Village," which read: "There smiling Spring its earliest visit brings." Auburn wouldn't be very long deserted with the memory of the poet's words impressed on people's minds if some one would discover its location. What a chance for a man to go into the Spring resort business!

"Shall we adjourn sine die?" suggested the timid member of the Duma.

"We'll be in luck," remarked another, "if we can adjourn sine dying?"

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The Investor

As an indication of the way the values of business property jump up with the growth of a city, the following from the Montreal correspondent of Toronto Saturday Night is of great interest:

On a previous occasion I have referred in these columns to the almost unlimited wealth of the Sulphur Order in Montreal. The matter is again called to mind through recent officers for some of their real estate in this city. Bordering on St. James, Notre Dame and St. Francois Xavier streets is a half block of property containing rows of office buildings and a saloon or two, all in a more or less tumble-down condition. In any ordinary city they would be hard to rent at any figure, but in Montreal this is different for here business men will take anything in the way of quarters, be the neighborhood the correct one. The plot of land contains some 17,000 feet, and four years ago an offer of \$800,000 was received for it, the bidders being no less a corporation than the Mutual Life of New York. This reckons but roughly at nearly \$50 per square foot, but the Sulphurians could not see it, though the returns in rentals from the property as it now stands would show a very small percentage on such an investment. Previous to their purchase of the old St. Lawrence Hall lying diagonally across St. James street from the Sulphurian property by the Canadian Pacific, this railway's officials had their eyes upon the old tumble down mass, and made a bid. Just how much was not stated, but it is safe to say that the sum ran well over the \$800,000 mark. Again the Sulphurians refused to sell, and so the C.P.R. went across the street and closed for the St. Lawrence Hall property at \$5 per sq. foot. Ten years ago the average St. James property was not reckoned to be worth over \$15 per square foot, and indeed well within that time the Imperial Bank bought their present location corner of St. James' and McGill streets and facing Victoria square, one of the best locations in the neighborhood for \$12 per foot. This property was sold through the late R.A. Mainwaring, who in his day was a well-known real estate man in Toronto. Today there is many a wealthy man in the city who has since wondered why he did not snap up this property at the time, for it was months on the market before taken up by the Imperial Bank people. Men and corporations have owned real estate on St. James street five to eight years now reckon that they have doubled their money, and this is probably a conservative estimate, as the latest sales go to prove.

There is no surer investment than business property in a city, the commercial failure of which one feels assured of.

The presence in Edmonton of Messrs. Adams, Leonard, Hoffman and Co., who are connected with Swift and Co. of Chicago is taken to indicate for a certainty that that great corporation is behind the large packing plant, which is being erected at the end of the city, at the junction of the C.N.R. and the G.T.P. Some months ago it was stated quite positively in the local press that the work is to be completed by September on the first building, which will be seven stories high and most complete in its equipment. Extensive stock yards will be established and a hotel built in the vicinity for the accommodation of those connected with the institution as well as those having business with it. Many industries for the handling of by-products are expected to grow up in the neighborhood and altogether the move should mark a distinct epoch in the industrial growth of the city.

The G.T.P. officials are now beginning to admit what has been apparent to everyone for a long while that there is no hope of the railway reaching Edmonton, when it was expected to do so, in August and there is little chance that it will assist to any material extent in moving out this year's crop. The hardship of the back-ward spring, and the difficulty in getting material are mainly responsible.

Malcolm's Western Cameriers have decided to locate in Medicine Hat, where the old woolen mill property has been secured.

The Bulkley Pioneer has the following regarding a man well known in Edmonton business circles: Geo. Carruthers, a son of J. Carruthers, the well-known grain broker, passed through Vancouver this week. He is accompanied by J. B. Campbell. They will leave shortly for Prince Rupert to look into the business interests with which J. Carruthers is associated in the north. The latter visited the coast two years ago, as the guest of Frank W. Morse, vice president of the Grand Trunk Pacific and as a result of that visit became interested in a number of ventures in the province. In several instances he was identified with the late E. G. Russell. The latter's death made it necessary for his son and Mr. Camp-



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Louis Lanyi, a young financial man of Vienna, has completed a tour of Western Canada, visiting Calgary, Edmonton and Saskatoon. He visited several Austrian and other settlements of European people and goes back to Austria with a most optimistic conception of the opportunities which Western Canada presents for the investment of capital in large sums. "It is possible that the financial interests which you represent will invest a million dollars in the west as has been represented," he was asked in Winnipeg. "A million dollars would be a small matter to the syndicate by which I am sent to Canada," was the reply, "and the investment will be at once made if the Vienna capitalists are satisfied that there is reason to believe that the investment will prove satisfactory. Personally I cannot express too fully my feeling of satisfaction with the west."

The Brackman-Ker Co. has decided to place its property on Whyte Avenue, Strathcona, on the market. It consists of 28 acres within five blocks of the station.

Among the Jasper Avenue buildings, the erection of which will be commenced shortly, are a three-story structure which Mr. A. Archibald is putting up on the site of his drug store and the office to the west. The Victoria Hotel will be enlarged by the addition of a wing to the west. The Yale Cafe, which has been purchased by Mr. Robert Mays, will have a large extension to it. On McDougall Avenue south, a fine four-story brick hotel will take the place of the present Grand View, which Mr. Sigler will move to the back of the lot.

Mr. Bowes and Mr. Van Frank are at present in Edmonton with a staff of assistants installing a Home Savings Bank system. This system has met with great success in other cities where it has been started and people who have tried it have been surprised at the end of each month to find what a large sum their small change amounts to. These banks are furnished free of

charge to anyone who will start an account with \$1.00. The bank keeps the key. Every month, or whenever the customer pleases, he brings the bank to the banking house where it is opened, the money taken out and placed to his credit and a receipt given him for it in his pass book, interest at 3 per cent is added to this four times a year. Whenever the customer desires to close his account he returns the bank and his \$1.00 is refunded to him along with any other balance he may have. Messrs. Howes and Van Frank are installing these banks throughout the service of the Northern Bank and have distributed upwards of 15,000 banks, in Winnipeg alone having placed 5000 of them. Other places that have them are Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary, Regina, Moosejaw, and Fort William.

Hon. Frank Oliver reached Edmonton on Tuesday night. His visit on this occasion will necessarily be a brief one. He intends to go on to the coast.

Mr. George Carruthers, whose interests in Edmonton are very extensive and who is a frequent visitor to the city, has been elected President of the Winnipeg Board of Trade.

Mr. W. J. Graves of Mountfield & Graves is back from a business trip of eight weeks' duration to the east.

The Bal Poudre in the "Huckle Rink on the night of the 23rd will be the brilliant social event of the year. No one who enjoys dancing to the best of music and on a perfect floor should fail to participate. Note carefully the advertisement which appears elsewhere in this issue.

A troop of the 15th Light Horse is to be organized at Red Deer under command of Lieut. Gogarty. The A.R. and I. Company this week commenced a daily train from Lethbridge to Cardston. This will prove a great boon to that splendid part of the province.

H. E. Playle, a well-known Red Deer blacksmith has been arrested in connection with the counterfeit case now attracting public notice in that town.

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as amended certain by-laws relating
to the prevention of fire.

The Municipal Council of the City
of Edmonton duly assembled enacts
as follows:

1. Section 2 of the said By-law
No. 242 is hereby repealed and the
following substituted therefor:
(2) For the purpose of this by-law
fire limits are hereby fixed and
established within the City of
Edmonton as follows:

Commencing at the intersection
of Jasper Avenue with the east
limit of Nnamo Avenue, thence
north along the East limit of
Nnamo Avenue to the south limit
of Rice street, thence westerly
along the south limit of Rice street
following the bend in said street
to McDougall street, thence north
along the West limit of McDougall
street to the south limit of Elizabeth
street, thence westerly along the
south limit of Elizabeth street to
First street, thence in a south west-
erly direction to a point where the
south limit of Athabasca Avenue
meets the west limit of First street,
thence westerly along the south
limit of Athabasca Avenue to
Fourth street, thence south on the
east limit of Fourth street H.B.R.
to the line in the rear of the lots
fronting on south limit of Jasper
Avenue, thence easterly along the
north limit of College Avenue ex-
tension, thence easterly along the
east limit of McDougall street,
thence south along the east limit of
McDougall street to the brow of
the high bank, thence easterly
along the brow of high bank to the
east limit of Nnamo Avenue pro-
duced, thence northerly along the
easterly limit of Nnamo Avenue pro-
duced to the place of beginning.

2. This by-law shall come
into force on the 1st day of June A.D.,
1907.

Done and passed in Council this
26th day of April A.D., 1907.

(Signed) W. A. Griesbach, Mayor.
(Signed) F. M. C. Crosskill, Sec-
retary Treasurer.



The Saturday News is the official
organ of the Alberta Farmers' As-
sociation, but the latter is only res-
ponsible for the views which are ex-
pressed in this department of the
paper. While the publishers are
thoroughly in sympathy with the
objects of the A.F.A., it is mani-
festly unfair to ascribe opinions
which are expressed in other parts
of the paper, dealing for the most
part with matters which have no
direct connection with agriculture
and which would reasonably be ex-
pected to give rise to controversy,
either to the officers or to the mem-
bers of the Association.

The officers of the A.F.A. are as
follows:

President: Joshua Fletcher; Vice-
President: Thomas H. Woolford;
Carleton; Secretary: Treasurer:
W. F. Stevens, Clover Bar;
Directors: George A. Ball,
Strathcona; Henry Jamieson,
Red Deer; George Macdonald,
Olds; T. W. Harris, Raymond;
E. N. Barker, Carleton.

OBJECTS OF THE A. F. A.

(Extract from the constitution of
the Alberta Farmers' Association.)
This Association is not a political
organization nor does it purpose or-
dering the policy of any political
party nor the candidature of any
politician and the object of the As-
sociation shall be:

- (1) To forward the interests of
the producers of grain and live
stock in every honorable and
legitimate way.
- (2) To hold meetings for the dis-
cussion of subjects pertaining
to the production of grain and
live stock, and the best means
of marketing the same.
- (3) To encourage the production
of superior varieties of grain,
and the breeding and rearing of
improved stock.
- (4) To encourage the establish-
ment of industries which will
give the producer greater fa-
cilities for marketing his pro-
duce.
- (5) To obtain by united effort
profitable and equitable prices
for farm produce.
- (6) To watch legislation relating
to the farmers' interests, par-
ticularly that affecting the mar-
keting and transportation of
farm produce.
- (7) To suggest to Parliament
from time to time as it is
found necessary through duly
appointed delegates, the pass-
ing of any new legislation
which may be necessary under
changing conditions and
requirements.

Freight rates per bushel on
wheat, oats and barley from the fol-
lowing ports to Fort William and
Port Arthur.

Via C.N.R.—		Wheat Oats Barley	
Edmonton -	Strathcona -	Fort -	15.00 8.50 12.00
Saskatchewan -	Vergara -	Vermilion -	14.40 8.16 11.52
Lloydminster -	Morinville -	Stoney -	15.00 8.84 12.48
Via C.P.R.—		Edmonton -	15.00 8.5 12.00
Strathcona -	Wetaskiwin -	Didsbury -	14.4 8.5 12.00
Calgary -	Okotoks -	Medford -	14.4 8.5 12.00
Chapleau -	Pincher Creek -	Lethbridge -	15.00 8.84 12.48
Raymond -	High River -	Stettler -	16.20 9.18 12.96
Daysland -			16.20 9.18 12.96

The terminal elevators charge 2
cent per bushel for elevating and
cleaning including the first 15 days
storage, and 2 cent per bushel for
storage during each succeeding 30
days to part thereof.

The rate of the trade is that the
shipper is allowed ten days free
storage, that is to say, if he sells his
product within ten days of its en-
trance into the elevator pays no
storage, after that time the storage
is paid by the shipper. The addi-
tional charges are forty cents, and
twenty-five cents, respectively, per
ear for grading and weighing.
When advances are made by commis-
sion men it is customary to charge
at the rate of 6 per cent on the
advances from the time they are
made until sale is effected on be-
half of the shippers.

C. Y. SLOCUM FROM THE TER-
RITORY MAKES A FEW OP-
SERVATIONS REGARDING
CANADA.

No. 1. Workin' and talkin' and
lookin' like a farmer.
I allow they's a right smart lot o'

fellers down in the territory that
'ud like to come to this country if
they only knowed what to raise af-
ter they git hyer. Now, there's cat-
tle; I've heard a powerful lot about
how they let their cattle run out an'
rattle for a livin' an' don't feed 'em
nothin' all winter, but I reckon they's
a heap o' fellers a wishin' right
now that they hadn't o' tried it.
They was powerful lot o' cattle
down in the Territory and allu,
found that them as was raised cheap
sold cheap and didn't weigh much.
But I never did get much store by
cattle nohow, I allow a feller
couldn't make money if he
couldn't raise hawgs. So when I
made up my mind to see Canada, I
told Lizzy as how I could git them
cent a mile rates an' I'd jist see it
all; cause I knowed it wouldn't
never be no cheaper nohow. So I
went to Manitobay an' drive 'round
there a right smart an' seen a heap
o' fine country and some powerful
nice wheat fields, but I didn't see
nary a hawg. But one day I drive
out alone an' seen some fields, them
immigration fellers hadn't showed
me an' they was terrible weedy.
So I jist drive 'round a right smart
an' I heard that the bull country
was the same way an' jist when I
was lookin' at the west field of the
lot a snipshus lookin' feller came
ri- an' he was lookin' straight ahead
an' lettin' on like he didn't see me
an' when I said "howdy" he acted
jist like he never heard it, an' I
spoke a little louder an' I said it
seems as how they's a right smart
o' weeds out hyer, an' he looked up
an' o' surprised like and said:
"Seem as how I don't know jist
how much a right smart is, I can't
say whether they's or not," an' I
then he luffed an' that kind o' riled
me an' I said: "It kin be mos' any
amount an' not be too much fur
that field." His face got kind o'
red an' he said: "Praps you kin
tell me how to stop 'em growin'?"
an' I said: "Not while you get them
fer things on your lugs, Mister; but
if you'll take 'em off an' put on
panta like grown folks wears an
learn to pounce right, I can't see
but you'll peert enough to learn, but
it may take a long while, it ain't
no use tryin' to be a farmer an' look
like town folks. I never knowed
a feller to 'mount to much an' find
if he didn't look like what he's doin'.
Even a preacher can't talk right
'ceptin' his got his preachin' close
on." The feller he peared to git
kind o' mad an' he said: "Mebbe
you think if I change my close, my
crop will grow better?" an' I said,
"No, sir, not this un won't, but
if you'll change them close you'll
work a right smart, better an' your
next crop'll grow a heap better."
The trouble with them close is
when a feller's got 'em on he don't
feel like a farmer an' he can't
work like a farmer. I tell you,
mister, you're a purty likely kind o'
a chap an' I'm goin' to give you
some advice an' I ain't goin' to
charge you nothin' fur it, but if you
want to be a farmer you've got to
work like a farmer look like a far-
mer, an' feel like a farmer, an' talk
like a farmer. It ain't no use try-
in' to do different, that's the price
an' you've got to pay it or you
can't git the goods. I knowed a
young feller once as come
from Massatusetts an' you remem-
ber me, o' him a right smart an' you
talk like him a heap only wuss, an'
his folks was as stupid as an' the
best folks in the Territory wouldn't
have nuthin' to do with him on that
account an' the pore folks wouldn't
mix with him cause he talked to
niggers, an' had 'em do his work
an' 'et with 'em, but he didn't have
no luck; his crops didn't grow
right, his stock got lost or died, an'
his hawgs took the cholery, an' he
purty nigh lost all he had, an' when
he had no more money them niggers
quit, an' the more they quit the
harder he worked an' he been to
git civilized, an' hate niggers an'
talk like us fellers and folks begin
to cotton to him, an' his luck begun
to change, an' he's worth more
an' today an' most any farmer in the Ter-
ritory, an' it all come from workin'
like a farmer, an' lookin' like a
farmer, an' talkin' like a farmer.
They was a feller once, I furgit his
name, but he used to be in Congress
a heap an' he writ books an' alman-
acks an' things an' he said if you
want to make it a farm in' you've
got to hold the plow or drive the
team, an' I tell you, Mister, it's wuss

now 'en eit war them days 'cause
you got to do it your own way.
C. Y. Slocum,
From the Territory.

THE POLICY AND WORK OF THE A.F.A.

The following circular is being
sent out by Mr. W. F. Stevens,
secretary of the A.F.A.:

The general policy of the Alberta
Farmers' Association is to unite the
farmers of Alberta in order that
they may act in union along the fol-
lowing lines:

1st. In demanding the repeal of
laws unfavorable to the farmers.
2nd. In preventing the enact-
ment of legislation detrimental to
their interests.

3rd. In insisting on legislation
necessary to protect and promote
their interests whether this pertain
to transportation, marketing, im-
provement and protection of roads,
insuring greater safety to travellers
on the public highways or securing
the establishment of industries ne-
cessary to the profitable marketing
of the products of the soil.

4th. To aid the farmers to secure
better prices for their products by
assisting them to improve the qual-
ity of what they produce; by giving
them instructions as to how to mar-
ket and ship their own products;
and by co-operating in holding their
crops when such a course is deemed
advisable.

5th. To co-operate with other
organizations within the province
and with farmers and kindred or-
ganizations in other provinces for
the improvement of conditions
affecting all.

As an illustration of the above we
might mention that we are now co-
operating with the farmers' organi-
zations of Ontario, Manitoba and
Saskatchewan to prevent a rival in
the rates for transporting grain east
of Port William.

We are also in receipt of a request
from the Fruit Growers' Association
of Ontario to co-operate with them
to remedy the one-sided condition
which exists in the ordering, load-
ing and unloading of cars. Under
present conditions when a shipper
orders a car he may have to wait 20
and even 30 days before he secures it.
But once the car is spotted for
him he is obliged to pay demurrage
if not loaded within 24 hours. The
shipper has no redress for his loss
growing out of the delay in secur-
ing a car nor for any delays in trans-
it, but the company collects at
every opportunity. This condition
is complained of by the fruit
growers of Ontario, by the grain
growers of Manitoba and Saskatche-
wan and by the live stock growers
of Alberta and it is the purpose of
this association to cooperate with all
in an endeavor to remedy this in-
justice.

The specific work upon which we
are now engaged is that of improv-
ing the market for live hogs and
beef cattle. At present over half a
million dollars worth of hams, ba-
con and lard is imported from the
United States into Alberta annually,
while live hogs have been bring-
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satisfactory export connections. Although enjoying the privileges of membership on the Winnipeg
Grain and Produce Exchange, we will take every opportunity to enlarge our export connections
and trade in Eastern Canada and the Old Country.

You must pay someone for the service of handling your grain. The Company will employ part
of the profits of the business in spreading the organization, improving conditions and developing
markets; the balance of profits will be available in the payment of dividends on paid up capital. Take
a share and get your neighbours as shareholders if possible; if not try and induce them to patronize
the Company. Write for shipping instructions if you have never shipped before.

Bill your grain to the order of the Grain Growers' Grain Co., at Fort William or Port
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that in Alberta all cattle are shipped
within 12 hours before weighing while
in the Chicago market all cattle are
weighed full. Alberta has a large
number of cattle equal to or better
than those known in the East as
"canners" which are sold at a lower
price, and the Alberta Farmers' As-
sociation is demanding that a beef
cannery be established within the
province to remedy this condi-
tion. We hold that such an indus-
try is needed for the following reasons:

1st. To utilize the large number
of dogs and Mexicans for which
there is little demand and the presence
of which seriously affects the price
of butchers' steers.
2nd. To provide a market for the
mixed breed range cattle which under
favorable conditions would have
made butchers' stuff and which are
owing to insufficient care and feed
during severe winters such as the
past one can, under present condi-
tions, do little more than spoil the
market for better animals.
3rd. To utilize that ever increasing
number of dairy cows for which
there is now practically no sale, and
by doing so make it profitable for
dairymen to keep their good milk
cows as long as possible and remove
the necessity of making beef pro-
duction the primary and milk pro-
duction a secondary consideration.

4th. To keep at home the money
now annually sent for canned meats,
and to furnish employment in
Alberta for those who are engaged
in preparing these goods elsewhere.

We are demanding that this indus-
try be established by the provincial
government because—

1st. The Government operation of
the creameries has been attended
with great success and is popular
with both the farmers and townsmen,
and we believe a government
operated canning plant will be
equally successful and popular.

2nd. The private ownership of
meat packing plants in the United
States and Ontario has been attended
with large profits to the owners
and operators; low prices to the
producers of the raw material and
high prices to the consumers of the
finished products.

No government will undertake to
change these things unless the farmers
are united in their demand that they do so.

No government can refuse to do so
if the farmers are united.

The time to get the government
to act in this matter will never be
more favorable than it is now.

The number of purely urban constituencies
will never be less than it is
today.

The more numerous such constituencies
become the less will be the
farmer's influence in shaping the
policy of the province.

The tendency is to select cabinet
ministers from urban constituencies
and once the balance of power
in the cabinet is against the farmer,
his task of freeing himself from the
monopolistic system will well nigh
approach the impossible.

The management of the Alberta
Farmers' Association is calling upon
every farmer in the province to
make his voice heard and his influence
felt in this matter before it is too late.

W. F. Stevens, Sec. A.F.A.

No one who has followed the progress
made by scientific farming in
recent years will be interested
in the announcement that W. H.
Campbell, of Lincoln, Nebraska, the
exponent of the dry farming system,
will deliver a series of lectures under
the auspices of the Department
of Agriculture at different points in
Alberta about the end of June. By
conserving the moisture in the soil,
large areas have been made to raise
crops in districts, where it was
thought the rainfall was altogether
insufficient.

Another step, which the depart-
ment is said to contemplate, is the
appointment of an irrigation expert.

A fine selection of Highland bulls
is being brought to the Medicine
Hat district by A. A. Mitchell from
Scotland.

The enterprise of the department
is further shown in its action in
inducing Mr. Archibald McNicoll of
Glasgow, the most prominent Clydesdale
breeder in Scotland, to come
to Alberta this spring to fail and act
as judge of the horses at different
fairs. He will also deliver a course
of lectures.

One of the biggest damage suits
for losses on stock by reason of delay
in furnishing cars the Great
Northern has ever defended has
been brought against that railway
by C. V. Vassau, who purchased
many sheep in Northern Montana
last year. Mr. Vassau has brought
a suit for \$85,000 damages for losses
incurred because of his inability to
get cars when ordered.

The 500 shares of the Vermilion
Creamery have all been subseribed
and the institution will, it is ex-
pected, soon be in operation.

Peter Lassure of Didsbury has
bought the well known Clyde stall-
ion "McClure" from John Clark,
junr., of Glenora, for \$2000.

An experimental fruit farm is to
be established on the farm of H. T.
Payne, a mile and a half north of
Vegreville, with Mr. Payne as man-
ager.

The Winnipeg Telegram publishes
a table of seeding dates to show that
late spring does not mean a short
crop but rather the opposite. The
table, taken from the official figures
of the Experimental farm at Brand-
on, is follows, and the Telegram
points out that two of the best years
1896 and 1899, were those in which
seeding began in the month of May:

1895—Sown April 16 ripened Aug-
ust 27; yield 49 bush.
1896—Sown May 8; ripened Sep-
tember 4; yield 26 bush 40 lbs.
1897—Sown April 20; ripened
August 19; yield 35 bush 20 lbs.
1898—Sown April 20; ripened
August 25; yield 36 bush 20 lbs.
1899—Sown May 1; ripened Aug-
ust 28; yield 38 bush 30 lbs.
1900—Sown April 10; ripened
August 21; yield 21 bush 20 lbs.
1901—Sown March 2; ripened
August 22; yield 35 bush 40 lbs.
1902—Sown March 4; ripened
August 28; yield 31 bush.
1903—Sown April 24; ripened
August 22; yield 32 bush 20 lbs.
1904—Sown March 4; ripened
Sept 7; yield 36 bush 40 lbs.
1905—Sown April 10; ripened
August 22; yield 45 bush 29 lbs.
1906—Sown April 25; ripened
August 17; yield 35 bush 20 lbs.

NOTES FOR CREAMERY PATRONS.

Another season's work is now be-
fore us. What are we going to do
about it? Make it best, of course,
and of course, though the cream-
ery business is now fairly well
established, considerable local boost-
ing is required to push it and to
keep it to the front, where it be-
longs. Every patron and share-
holder should work tooth and nail
for its success, bearing in mind that
in so doing he is promoting his own
interest.

"If all—were as good as the
best," then —
Think this over. Fill in the blank
spaces and apply the sentence to
any, or all, of the departments of
your work and then figure out
what the result would be if you
could, by good judgment and well
directed effort, make them to yield
"all as good as the best."

I do not think we can start this
season's work with a better motto
than "all as good as the best."
We shall adopt it at the creameries
and ask the co-operation of each
individual patron. YOUR CO-
OPERATION—to make all butter as
good as the best. You can do your
share in this work by supplying
cream which will be, in point of
quality and condition, equal to the
best, viz: CLEAN, PURE AND
SWEET.

The best markets to which we
cater demand that all be "as good
as the best."

DAIRY HERD RECORDS.

It will interest you to know that
the Department will render every
assistance possible to dairymen who
desire to make their business a pay-
ing one. Provision will be made to
conduct dairy herd record work in
connection with the creameries, and
it is hoped that a number of patron-
s will avail themselves of the
opportunity they will have of find-
ing out the productiveness of their
herds. You will find that they are
not all "as good as the best," by
any means.

If you are interested, and I think
you ought to be, then help along the
formation of a dairy record associa-
tion to be worked in connection with
your local creamery. The latter
maker in charge will be delighted
to give you all the information as to
the objects and working methods so
such organizations.

C. Marker.

Office of the Dairy Commissioner,
Calgary, May 6th, 1907.

(Continued on page 9)

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27. Nothing herein contained shall relieve the contractors from the obligation to observe any by-law of the corporation which may now or shall hereafter be in force in the City of Edmonton and not inconsistent herewith.

28. Provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to continue any of the powers, authorities or privileges given to the contractors under the terms of this agreement beyond the term of Twenty (20) years above mentioned, but the said powers, authorities, and privileges shall at the expiration of the

termined, provided however that the corporation does not exercise the option of purchase herein before provided at the expiration of the said term of Twenty (20) years, the contractors may and if required by the corporation shall continue to operate their plant until such time as the corporation shall exercise the said option of purchase upon such terms and conditions (which expression it is for greater certainty declared shall include the price which the contractors may charge for gas) as may be agreed upon and in case there shall be any disputes as to such terms and conditions dispute shall be settled by arbitration.

PROVIDED FURTHER that the terms and conditions so agreed upon or settled by arbitration shall not in any event continue for a longer period than five (5) years and of which period, if the option of purchase shall not in the meantime have been exercised, the terms and conditions for the next period of Five (5) years shall be agreed upon as aforesaid, and so on, until from Five (5) years to Five (5) years.

29. Nothing in this agreement contained shall be construed to prevent the contractors to construct or use their plant for the purpose of supplying and distributing natural gas. 30. The contractors further agree that in the event of their failure to commence construction of the said plant or complete the same according to the terms hereof, they will in addition to all other liabilities forthwith pay to the corporation the amount of all expenses incurred by the corporation in connection with the preparation of this agreement and in connection with the by-law supporting this agreement, and as security therefor will forthwith deposit with the said corporation the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars.

31. Nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to prevent the corporation from granting privileges, the same as or similar to any of the privileges herein granted to any person or persons, firm or corporation at any time the corporation may so desire.

32. The contractor shall forfeit and pay to the corporation as liquidated damages and not as penalties for the following breaches or defaults under this agreement the amounts herein respectively specified:

(a) For default in carrying the pipe to the boundary line of the street under clause 24, so as to permit connections to supply the owner or occupant of any building lying along the supply pipe, the contractors who may become entitled to a supply under the provisions under this agreement, for one month after he has become aware as aforesaid, the sum of Two (2) Dollars for every day during which default continues after the said period of One (1) month provided that the season is such that it is reasonably practicable for the contractors to make the necessary excavations.

(b) For default in making extensions under clause 25 hereof within One (1) month after having been directed by the Engineer so to do, or within One (1) month after it has become reasonably practicable so to do, having regard to climatic conditions and other conditions, the sum of Ten (10) Dollars for each and every day during which default continues after said period of One (1) month: PROVIDED that the penalties herein mentioned shall not exclude the right of the corporation or the contractors to bring action or actions for specific performance under the terms of this agreement or to avail itself of any other remedy by way of damages or otherwise that it may have, and it is understood that an action for specific performance of any of the terms of this agreement may be brought by the said corporation.

33. It is hereby expressly understood and agreed between the parties hereto that all covenants, provisions, powers, agreements, privileges and licenses herein contained shall be binding upon, ensure to the benefit of, and may be exercised by the respective executors, administrators, successors and assigns the parties hereto.

Executed by the parties hereto at Edmonton the day and year first above written.

In the presence of

Springtime in the West

Mr. Charles Mair's Recollections of the Past Forty Years.
Some Facts Which Discredit Alarmists.

The state of weather will always, the world over, be the most important consideration that a community has to face as well as the most frequent topic of conversation to individuals. This year, in view of the long delay of spring, it is of exceptional interest and in some quarters the direct forebodings are indulged. An interview which the *Lethbridge Herald* had last week with Mr. Charles Mair, who has been in close touch with Western Canada for forty years or more, and who has seen the progress of its development, is particularly timely.

"The past winter and the present spring," said Mr. Mair, "furnish together the most unexpected and therefore the most perplexing weather conditions known to the oldest timer in South Alberta. The winter of the winter months has been rivalled in the past even here, but only at long intervals, as for example in 1886 and 1892; yet few, if any, in this region can remember such a winter as this, followed by such a spring. For once our climate seems to have gone back on its feet to the conditions of the past, so widespread upon the continent, that meteorological science seems baffled to account for them. Conjecture is therefore busy as to the future, that is to say, with the prospects for seed time and harvest. In our own region ploughing has been going on for several weeks and some seedling, too, but with irritating interruptions of ice and frosts and blizzards or downright storms of snow so that in point of time spring is behind all previous years. This is breeding considerable anxiety in the minds of some, and misgivings are felt as to the ripening of wheat sown at so late a period as may be secured this year. But spring, no matter how mild or genial, affords an uncertain forecast of the prosperity of wheat. It is the summer months that are concerned in this, and experience has shown that a backward—halt is to say a cold and wet spring plays directly into summer's hands. The hundred days more or less required for the forward growth and maturing of wheat begin with June and end with August, or early autumn. Therefore these months with a mild late spring and nothing can be more certain, barring accident, than a generous harvest."

This was shown in a marked way in May, 1894, when the Peace River Treaty Commission, of which Mr. Mair was a member, left Winnipeg in the latter part of May much spring weather still prevailing. The first step was in many cases swimming in water, the skies leaden, the weather so unpromising that some fear was felt as to the issue. When the party reached Alberta a few days after, they found the wheat well up, and mentally contrasted the east and the west unfavorably to the former. Nevertheless, that year one of Manitoba's finest years; but not markedly so for the region which had the early spring. The two factors in all growth are course heat and moisture; and in view of this, the experienced farmer has few misgivings over a late spring. It defers work of course, but it means moisture and heat together when the heat comes. As a matter of fact, owing to our long summer days and a native vigor in the soil itself, it is almost incredible how late in the season some grains and roots may be sown and planted with success. It is not necessary to project the sowing of barley or the planting of potatoes into the month of July, and no one does it. But if it were, there is little doubt that, in any ordinary season, the yield would be satisfactory. The year after Confederation, viz., in 1868, the first expedition was sent to Red River by the Dominion Government, Mr. Mair being paymaster of the party, which established its headquarters at Pointe de Chene, some thirty miles east of Port Garry where there was a small settlement of half breed plain hunters and farmers. It was the last year of the great locust invasion of that time which swept over the country, destroying every green thing. In the end of June and beginning of July the hordes swarmed away east without laying eggs and Mr. Valquette a French Canadian farmer from Quebec, having carefully husbanded some barley and potatoes for seed, put in both about the 12th of July, and both matured. Mr. Mair purchased a portion of them for the use of the expedition, and the barley was found to be excellent, the potatoes a little wet but of the usual size and of good flavor. The writer does not know whether experiments are made in this direction on our government farms; but if not, it is well worth attention. Indeed it is worth while for any farmer to test in a small way the various roots and grains on his own farm. The results might not be satisfactory, but something would be learnt.

Of course, however improbable, one can imagine such spring weather as Western Canada has been having projecting too far into the summer for ripening. Such a disaster, the writer has heard old residents say, once happened some fifty years ago in the oldest British settlement on the North Saskatchewan. It was not due of course to the unsuitableness of the region, for farming has been carried on successfully by the French on the main river long before the conquest, with which it seems to have ended. Revised by Scotch settlers on the North river, the wheat of the settlement ever since the singular mishap referred to has been noted for its superior quality, conforming to the natural law that all grain improves the nearer it reaches the limit of its growth. The non-ripening season referred to was simply one of those freaks of nature which none can account for—unlikely to happen, but which, in the course of time, might happen again. Indeed such a thing as an overcast season in this region is as little to be dreaded as drought—the skeleton in our farmer's closet. Successive years of drought have happened here just as they have happened elsewhere. Mr. Mair's recollection in Upper Canada carries him back to the Crimean War, when through successive years of drought in Kansas and Nebraska were nearly exterminated by it within common recollection, and some of the greatest wheat growing regions on earth are blighted by it this moment. Such calamities tell hardly upon communities for a time, but count for naught in the long process of this indomitable energy. Indeed science is stepping in to assist man in the preservation of moisture.

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THE ERSKINE MEETING.
The Central Alberta Stock Growers' Association has not received any encouragement from the Department of Agriculture at Edmonton, in its efforts to improve ranching conditions and obtain better markets for the animal products of its members. By its united effort, however, it has accomplished the end in an incredibly short time—the Erskine meeting June 5 and 6 being the first annual gathering of the organization—it has bested all the big game by leading cities of the United Kingdom, by the heaviest packers of the United States and by the cattle feeders of the latter country. The Erskine Convention will be an open making conference to the beef producer. Not a man interested in better markets for Alberta products can afford to miss it. A strong program could not be offered; a larger mass of details referring to direct cattle shipments to the U.S. and British ports will be submitted by Pres. Root at the business meeting; and the sports will serve to enliven what promises to be rather a strenuous session. Let every breeder or attendant not forgetting his tent, lunch basket and blankets. The following is the programme:
Address of welcome—G. C. Bergman, Erskine.
Response to address of welcome—H. Railles, Pine Lake.
President's address—Geo. T. Root, Erskine.
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Address—J. H. Hamilton, Guelph, Mayor.
Address—J. Niblock, Calgary, Div. Sup. C.P.R. Co.
Address—G. B. Goodell, Chicago, representing Chicago Union Stock Yards.
Short talks—United States Packers, United States Commission Men, United States Feeders.
Address—R. Dawson Harling, representing the Markets Department, Manchester, England.
Short talks—English Commission Firms.
Addresses by members of the Agricultural and Local Press—Stettler Independent, Will Godson, Stettler Farm and Ranch Review, D. Geddes, Calgary; The Saturday News, A. B. Watt, Edmonton; Red Deer Advocate, F. W. Galbraith, Red Deer.
Baseball game.
Trap Shooting.
Cow Boys' Race, Owners up.
Pony race.
Mule race.
Boys under 12 years, foot race, 100 yds.
Girls under 15 years, foot race 50 yds.
Woman's foot race, 50 yds.
Fat—over 200 lbs.—Man's race 50 yds.
Potato race, 20 potatoes.
Pipe race, 50 yds.
Egg race, 25 yds.
Sack race, 20 yds.
Three legged race, 50 yds.
300 yds Men's Relay race, 6 on side.
100 yds Women's Relay race, 6 on side.
Barrel race.

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EDMONTON MARKETS

Seeding in Alberta has been progressing rapidly during the past week and the fall wheat is in excellent condition all over the province. The local wheat market has been advanced from 2 cents to 5 cents per bushel in sympathy with the strength in outside markets. Coarse grains still rule very firm with oats selling at from 30 to 33 cents per bushel by the load on market square.

Elevator prices.
No. 1 Northern wheat 62 cents per bushel.
No. 2 Northern wheat 60 cents per bushel.
No. 3 Northern wheat 56 cents per bushel.
Lower Grades, 45 to 55 cents per bushel.
No. 2 White Oats, 25 cents per bushel.
No. 3 White Oats 24 cents per bushel.
Feed Barley 27 to 30 cents per bushel.
Malting Barley, 30 to 40 cents per bushel.
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HAY.
Receipts of hay are running rather light and the demand is very good with a slightly higher tendency to prices.

Ruling prices about as follows:
Baled Hay in car lots—
Slough \$10 to \$13 per ton.
Upland, \$14 to \$17 per ton.
Timothy \$17 to \$20 per ton.
By the load on market square—
Slough \$12 to \$15 per ton.
Upland, \$17 to \$20 per ton.
Timothy, \$20 to \$25 per ton.
Sheave Oats, \$8 to \$12 per ton.
Straw, \$4.00 to \$5 per load.
Coal, \$4.50 to \$5 per ton.

Flour, Retail.
There has been a still further advance in the price of flour due to the continued advance in wheat. Best patent \$2.40 to \$2.50 per cwt. Strong bakers, \$2.10 to \$2.20 per cwt.

PRODUCE MARKET.
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Potatoes.
There is a more active demand for potatoes with a small advance in prices.
Good potatoes selling around 40 to 45 cents per bushel.

LIVE STOCK
There is more active demand for live hogs with a firmer tendency to prices.
Live hogs, 6 to 7c per pound.
Dressed, 9c per pound.
Live Sheep, 6 cents per pound.
Vend calves, dressed, 8 to 10 cents per pound.

POULTRY
Live Turkeys, 15 to 16 per pound.
Dressed, 18 to 20 cents per pound.
Live chickens, 11 to 12c and a half per pound. Dressed, 15 to 17 per pound.
Old hens, live, 10 to 11 cents per pound.
Old hens, dressed 14 cents per pound.

WINNIPEG, May 16.

Under the influence of the unfavorable prospects for this year's crops in America and Europe a wild flurry of speculative buying has broken out in American wheat centres during the past week and has carried prices upwards 9 to 12 1/2 cents per bushel. The cash trade being slower to move and therefore being a great deal of wheat from previous crops to use up yet there is not a scarcity of actual wheat at present and the demand for wheat for immediate delivery is neither active nor pressing. It is evident however that the prospect for a full supply for the more distant future is in jeopardy and while there will doubtless be sharp advances and declines in prices from day to day the average level of prices will become much higher than it has been for the last two years. After the yields of this year's harvests are known definitely we are confident prices will remain high until much larger world's crops are produced. Today's Winnipeg prices are: 1 Nor. 92, 1-2 cents; 2 Nor. 89 1-2 cents; 3 Nor. 82 1-4; futures May 92 1-4; July and Oct. 85 1-8.

Oats are dull at present but should do better. No. 2 white 89; May 82 1-2; June 89 3-4; July 89 3-4; 114x 1 north western 133.

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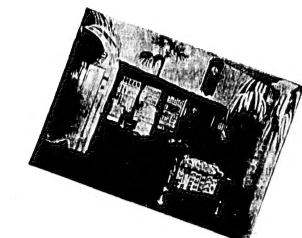
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The Calgary's Albertan's sporting editor quotes what was said in this column last week and replies as follows:

"There was once a league known as the Northwest Football League, in which many cities were represented. The clubs from different parts of the two new provinces were members of that league. The league centered about Calgary. Efforts of every kind were made to widen the circle, but without success. The teams from the north would not join. When all efforts had failed to interest a large portion of the province, and as all the teams were near Calgary, the name was changed to the Calgary Football League. So you see, 'someone had to take the initiative.' When this league of a few northern teams had been formed an effort was made to have games arranged and to have it really a provincial association, but it was the same Alberta Football League that was 'bolder than thou' and insisted upon the complete control of arrangements. After a few efforts to make arrangements, the Calgary league gave it up in disgust.

"When the Caledonians last year returned from winning the championship of Manitoba and Western Canada, some football team in the north resented the claim that was made. The Caledonians even then agreed to meet the Ponoka team, and suggested some kind of fair terms, but no arrangement could be arrived at, as the Ponoka team claimed the championship of Alberta and wanted the Caledonians to come north and get it.

"What good is to be accomplished by going into all this ancient history is hard to see, the Calgary clubs were asked to send representatives to the meeting at which the 'Alberta football league' was formed. They did not do so, thinking that the initiative should come from them. But what difference did this make, so long as a league representative of the whole province was formed. If it set out to deal unfairly with the Calgary clubs or any of the others by not giving them the proper representation on the governing body or otherwise, they could withdraw and run their own affairs. But they could at least give the project a trial. The Calgary representatives at the original meeting would have been on exactly the same basis as the representatives of the other clubs and if they and their friends were the more numerous they could, if they so desired, have secured the control. But with proper sporting ideas, it should make no difference who the officers are.

To the athletes who have become uneasy over the backward state of the Alberta weather, the following from an Eastern American paper will be of interest: "Baseball is gradually emerging from the snow-drifts and their icy grips. In another week it may be expected that the temperature will get sufficiently warmed to permit the spectators who insist upon going to the big league parks to view their favorite pastime without being bundled up in overcoats and running the risk of colds and pneumonia. The players will also be glad when the time arrives that they can shed some of the sweaters and jackets which they have been compelled to wear during the present championship season.

"The cold weather and the high winds which have prevailed during the season to date have taken the edge off the starting of the battles for the championships and have thus caused serious set backs to the teams. Every team has gone back so far as physical condition is concerned, and the trips to the sunny south have been almost so much time and money wasted. The chances are that it will be well into May before the players get well thawed out and in condition that they were when they returned north three weeks ago.

"No one can say whether this spring will have any effect upon the National League migraines in starting the season later next year. The National League are a hard headed lot, and they detest giving in upon any plain upon which they have set their hearts.

"They will especially hate to give in on this one, and will probably go right ahead again with a long schedule without making any concession to the public because of their belief that such a move would be giving in to the American League. The National League is expected to take the ground that this has been an exceptional spring; if anyone could call it the gentle spring time—and that next year the weather may be different.

"At any rate, their action this year has been a very expensive one to them. Their anticipated profits

on the early games have vanished like the snowflakes which fell last Friday, and it will require some enormous crowds to wipe out the losses to date. The Cincinnati Club alone is out \$14,000 on the season so far."

The following from the sporting columns of the Toronto Globe may afford some consolation as well: "The flakes came down thick and fast on Saturday, the day that so many of the horses at Woodbine were to have some serious work, and the track was covered with snow and slush, so that nothing in the way of training gallops could be thought of. It was a curious scene that Woodbine presented. With the King's Plate only two weeks away and at ten o'clock in the morning one lone visitor stood on the lawn and looking about could see no living thing but the restless gulls that soared in the leaden skies. Neither man nor horse was in sight about the whole course and the track and field were hidden under the snow. But for the two schoolboys kicking their way down the lake and the playing of a frightened robin that had taken refuge in the stand it was easy to believe that it was a mid-winter morning instead of just a fortnight from the life and activity and brightness of the opening day of the May meeting."

The following reference to Mr. E. N. Barker of Cardston in the Vancouver World's report of the dog show recently held in that city will be read with interest by many Albertans:

"In calling the toast of the judges the president mentioned the names of Mr. Barker and Mr. Rolston and then apologised for having to mention himself as one of them. He referred to the splendid work done by Mr. Barker in the past. He has not a new man at the game but unfortunately had given up judging. When he heard that Mr. Barker was coming he was filled with satisfaction and he hoped the club would have a very efficient man to give the rewards. He then asked the bachelors to fill their glasses and drink to the health of the judges cooling the benches of Mr. Barker and Mr. Rolston.

"In reply Mr. Barker made a very able speech. He referred to having come to the country as a youngster many years ago and he has always been furthering the interests of the bench show business in the country. The country was the newest on the globe and he looked for the co-operation of all those present in pushing along doggy matters. He referred to the American kennel clubs saying that a dog bred in Canada was not an American bred dog and it gave him great pleasure to say that Canadians were broad enough to say that any dog in the country was an American dog."

It has often been said that cricket seasons in England have been sharply defined into those when the Australians are making a tour in this country and those when apart from the three great matches at Lord's the County championship has been the central interest, says the London Daily Mail. The coming season promises not to be as interesting as an Australian year for the South Africans pay England a visit and for the first time will meet the full strength of English cricket in three test matches which have been fixed for July 1 and the following days at Lord's; July 29 at Leeds; and August 19 at the Oval. That the South Africans have well earned the right to compete for international honors at cricket will be generally admitted. The last team that came to England in 1901 gained a triumph by beating an English eleven not a representative side, of course but still a strong one; and the success of the South Africans against the M.C.C. team which won out under the captainship of Mr. P. P. Warner in the winter of 1905-6, showed that cricket in South Africa had greatly improved.

Either the baseball teams down in Idaho and Montana are a poor lot or Edmonton has a team that will set the prairie on fire. The capital's representatives have carried everything before them in their games down there and are assured of an uproarious welcome when they make their appearance at home in the opening game on May 30. The diamond at the foot of the hill on First street is being put into shape rapidly and will afford excellent quarters. A very large house has been obtained and a rink will probably be put up on the property before next winter. The grand stand will accommodate 500 and the bleachers 1000. The Elks will have charge of the arrangements for the opening. They will march in the procession three hundred strong. The band and a troop of the C.M.R. will also participate. The Lieutenant Governor, the Mayor and the aldermen will take part in the ceremony and it is sure to be a great night in the sporting history of the city. The game will be called at 6.45 p.m.

The opposing team will be Calgary, which has been playing in Eastern Canada and giving a good account of itself. Last Saturday it shut out Ottawa by 8-0 and on Sunday by 7-0. They came on to Winnipeg and Regina this week. Bill Merritt, an old Norseman leaguer, has been made manager and

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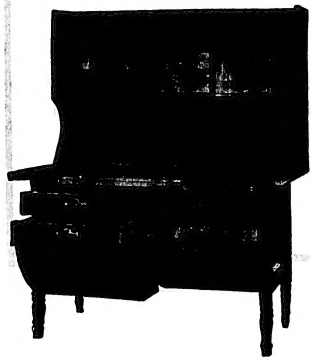
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So mindful of her looks? Come, give me the news of the flowers
'The grass, and the trees and brooks! Last night, when the diva flinging Those notes of hers to the air I thought, will the thrush be singing To-morrow, and I not there? Are the daffodils making Their rows of yellow shon—Till the singer's voice seemed breaking,
And the viol were out of tune. So, fold up the morning paper. With the old monotonous talk, Of routes and riots and races, And let's go out for a walk.

What is it the birds are doing—Deep down in the secret stem, That, even with music wooing I think and I think of them!

In the Mirror, sanctum we are fond of discussing all manner of things from what's the correct course for a man who is engaged to one girl and in loving another to pursue, to the frivolous and talk that makes up the excitement and ten cup gossip of the hour.

Not, be it supposed, that we have not an occasional lapse into sterner moods, for, be you as frivolous as you will, they are bound to come, but there is a tacit understanding among ourselves that as there is already such a superabundance of serious folk in the world, a few of us may be spared to enjoy life as we find it.

You see it is not given to all men to be able to do this. Some of them are born old, saddled with responsibilities from their cradle upward; others take themselves so seriously that laughter and gaiety and fun shun their vicinity as they would a plague, while still others take their pleasures in Jekyll Hyde fashion, when the world is asleep and Mr. Grundy is busily engaged concealing some clever scandal about the latest celebrities to spring into the public eye. But most of us were born young; young then let us die, say I, and all men, who have learned that the secret of happiness is found in the spring of perpetual youth.

Young, to enjoy the sight of the pussy willows hanging in fluffy tails from the trees. Childish enough to staid away on a picnic, and forget that there are such prosaic things as care and duty. So youthful and joyful that you discover the happiness of existence lies in a child's games, an old song, a walk, a stolen holiday from conventional ways, and people. There's a fine thing. Conventions! believe me an old song is worth all traditions put together; especially if it be a song about love or the spring, with a flower or two in it, and a brave kiss at the end.

Shocking, I dare say, but I wouldn't part with one of the singers and joy makes for all the moralizers that ever were.

It is only those people who have narrowed life down to a set of rules, have reduced it to a parlor game—to be played for counters—who do not know the delights of Bohemia. They have set themselves in a stone courtyard paved with excellent principles, most contrary to Nature, have raised a high fence of good form round it, and speak of those who walk therein as good. For me I do not love their courtyard. Rather would I be out among the weeds and flowers and birds, among the happy-go-lucky people who would sell their responsibilities and worldly goods for a song.

By all the standards ever set I am a most outrageous person. I am lazy; I love to waste time over the piano when my desk cries aloud to be tidied; I never by any chance want to do those things Madame Conventional decrees I should do. I hate to be indoors when the sun is shining, even if my duty lies at home and—out I go, I dare being happy and I do, oh how I do love my own way. I lose my temper with a thousand well-meaning folk, and I have ideas that I know more about bringing about moral reform than most moralists, because I am human and live down in the valley where I know what causes bring about actual effects, which is more than most reformers seem to grasp.

The strangest feature of all this is that, in nine cases out of ten, only the young men look old. Walk down the street and observe the faces of those you meet. You will at once notice that only the youths behave in a circumvent manner, do not depart from the correct modes of dress, are strictly within the limits of convention. The little boys in caps and sailor hats and the older men have a look of adventure in their eyes when they meet on the

common ground, of may we say, a stray cat. Four and forty stop to stroke the cat, regardless of passers by; twenty-one with his nose in the air, strides past, and will not commit the social crime of behaving nature ally. So it is one learns to love th- Four and Forties, the still unshackled, and the Casters Off of their chains, while One and Twenty bore one with a deadly boredom, and make one long for a world of fools rather than a surfeit of too much nicety.

Open your hearts everybody, and you will find the world divided into gardens, in each garden will be a person whose outlook on life is so totally different to yours that at first you will think them black evil; to them weeds may be flowers, and sparrows nightingales. If you like, invite your own kind into your garden, grow a thicket hedge about it, and pull a sour face over the ideas of your neighbors—you will be as good as gold—at your own valuation. The air beyond your hedge will reek with wickedness.

But it would be better if you stretched out a hand across your flower bed and took that of the man who praises the stars in a tongue that shocks you. Then will you learn the truth and beauty of truth; you considered evil, and your neighbor's weeds will appear to you as flowers.

HOME AND SOCIETY

To London Town from Babylon The pageant of the world goes by! For you, for you, A Stander-by.

Things must be rather dull with the pace it is around at the Journal office these days, since they have undertaken to notice in a long editorial so humble a subject as the society editor of the Saturday News. From a mere woman's standpoint one would imagine that there would be more than enough to keep the editorial pencil busy, dealing with civic and political affairs in Edmonton these days, but evidently this delightfully humorous editor considers women's pink tees more in line with the news. He not only agrees with him. Imagine that light airy style and trenchant wit, as evidenced in the expression "Mrs. Corner Lot" and the name "Becky" instead of Peggy applied to a serious public discussion. Can you picture the result? No, no, it is not to be thought of. By all means let the Journal man serve up the nuts and raisins and leave the modest editor of the Saturday News to furnish the meat and substantial columns of our editorial diet (which, and craving your pardon, I think he can do to the King's taste).

But to return to Him of the Pink Tees and chatty style, and Peggy and Society doling. Is it not remarkable that it took the Journal over a year to discover the evils that ensue from the publishing of such a column as that which appears each week in the Saturday News under the heading of "Home and Society?"

Why in all that time did not the Morality Censor of the paper nudge the corner notice on effort to suppress the publication of such notes, and WHY did it immediately after I inaugurated a Society column in the Saturday News see fit to follow suit, with (speaking from an experienced woman journalist's matter of fact standpoint) such a very deplorable imitation?

What was the result? I seldom see the Journal, being too busy to have time to waste on its pink tea editorials, but I am told that the appearance of its social notes is very like measles, one day in and another day out. If they can possibly secure someone who can make a bluff at obtaining correct details, they mutilate the affair in hand, at other times they have to satisfy their appetite for such interesting pabulum, by reading, and stealing from Peggy. Evidently their latest Society editress has gone on strike. Result—the Dog in the Manger attitude of the Journal and a big puff for my humble self.

Here's thanking you dear Journal Man but how about the Journalistic ethics of such a course? Are you on so new to the work that you have yet to learn that it is hardly considered the proper thing in news-paper circles to attack a regular feature of a local or any contemporary? And again what would you have me believe with regard to the old aphorism, "Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery."

As to the charge that a society column encourages extravagance, it is to laugh. How about liquor and patent medicines ads of which I believe you run your share, encouraging drunkenness and inviting untold lawful results. How about your write-ups of a wealthy magnate's fine offices inducing Mr. Brown who can't pay his bills to strive to rival him? And what of all the rivalry you stir up in every

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A June wedding in which Calgarians and Edmontonians are interested will take place on Wednesday June 6th, at St. Mary's, Ontario, when Miss Alice Maude Keen, seventh and youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Keen, of St. Mary's will become the bride of Mr. Harold William Hounsfield Riley, seventh son of Mr. Thomas Riley, of Hounsfield Lodge, Calgary. On account of the recent death of the groom's mother and the absence of his father and sisters on the continent, the marriage will be very quietly solemnized at the home of the bride's parents after which the honeymoon will be spent along the St. Lawrence River in the vicinity of Quebec. After the return from the honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Riley will reside in Edmonton where the groom fills the responsible position of Deputy Provincial Secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Riley will reside at No. 240 Eighth street west, in close proximity to the new Parliament buildings.

At McLeod on the 9th of May a quiet wedding took place at Christ's Church, the contracting parties being Mr. W. Park Malone, the popular manager of the Northern Bank, McLeod, and Miss Winnifred Saxon of Toronto. The bride was given away by her aunt, Mrs. A. W. Pon-ton, and the bridegroom was attended by Mr. G. H. Schougal. After the service in the church the wedded couple adjourned to Sheriff Campbell's house where the bride and groom's health was proposed. All then adjourned to Mrs. Pon-ton's for the wedding breakfast. Mr. and Mrs. Malone left by the morning train for Calgary and Banff. The quantity of rice and oil slippers showered at them at the railway station was indubitable evidence of their popularity.

Mrs. Horace Hume was the hostess of a merry young girl's party one day last week when owing to pressure on space I was unable to note the event. The evening was given for the hostess's young daughters Georgie and Vera, and passed away very happily in dancing and games, the hour of departure coming all too soon for the pretty girl guests.

Among those who enjoyed this jolly party were: The Misses Marjory Wilson, Nora Taylor, Vivian Bowen, Marjory McQueen, Stella and Irene Harbottle, Maxine Morris, F. Watts, Beattie Oliphant, Marion Fife, Alice May, Leonard Secord, Marian May, Miss McDonald and Florence McKay.

Miss Brunton of Newmarket, Ont., who was such a sight to be seen at the Capital this winter, is in Winnipeg, on route to her home, the guest of Mrs. George Bastedo, Furby street.

Mrs. and Mrs. Bower Campbell have taken a house on Fifteenth street, and are now quite settled in their new quarters. Dr. and Mrs. Harrison have rented the Jameson residence on Fourth street formerly occupied by the Campbells and Mr. and Mrs. Pagnolo have bought and intend residing in the Harrisons house on Fifth street.

Mrs. Joseph Morris has returned from her southern trip and is looking bright and well.

The golf tea, now twice announced, will, weather permitting, surely eventuate on Saturday, when doubtless it will prove all the more enjoyable for its very postponement; anticipation being over an excellent whet to realization.

Mrs. Slocock entertained at the tea hour on Wednesday.

Mr. Arthur Hamilton has been hors de combat this week owing to a severe sore throat and has been unable to be at his post in the Government offices.

Many loving and anxious wishes found their way to Mrs. George Swaisland and her tiny new daughter this week, everyone rejoicing in the glowing reports of the bonny new stranger, and her popular mother.

Monsieur and Madame Auguste Noel leave early in the week for a month's absence in the east.

Mrs. Charlesworth will entertain at the tea hour on Friday, when a host of interested friends will have the opportunity of meeting her sister, who arrived in town for a visit on Tuesday.

Roller skating has become the fad of the hour in Edmonton, and at present in the afternoon or evening, one may have a hugely humorous time of it watching the men and women one knows or doesn't, as the case may be, endeavoring to navigate, and still maintain their equilibrium. I believe the shipment of pneumatic skates has arrived at last, and everyone will appreciate the splendid fun for the purpose.

The ladies of Fort Saskatchewan intend holding a Red Cross Day on May 24th in aid of the erection of a hospital, which, as everybody knows, is sadly needed there as elsewhere. To carry out their scheme they have organized both in the town and surrounding country, committees, to provide dinner and tea for those who journey Fort-wards on that day. A year's residence in that Edmonton has convinced me that everyone goes to the Fort on the 24th so the ladies should be kept more than busy attending to the visitors.

In addition to the two meals there will be a tea and ice cream booth where light refreshments will be served. Doubtless a very substantial sum will be realized for the worthy object of their efforts, and we of Edmonton can safely be promised to attend in force.

I have heard it rumored that Mr. Jaffray of the Imperial Bank, will be shortly promoted to a management position of one of the Western branches, or else as assistant inspector, and that he leaves some time this month to enter on his new duties. Mr. Jaffray will be much missed in town where his sterling qualities have made for him a widespread circle of friends who will be loath to lose him.

Mrs. Harold Brunton was the hostess of a smart little luncheon of ten covers at Cronin's on Monday, given in honor of the Misses Hudspeith, Miss Helen however, at the last moment, owing to a severe cold, being unable to be present. Dainty little water color sketches which served as place cards, added a pretty touch to the luncheon table, which was beautifully done in splendor, did deep red carnations and fern, a tall epergne in the centre holding a veritable shower of the lovely bloom, while graceful ropes of amethyst and fern fell in careless profusion and formed a setting for the handsome ornament. Mrs. Brunton received her guests in a chic white serge tailor made gown with violet loupes, and dainty lace bodice. Among the congenial little party I noticed Mrs. Metcalfe beautifully gowned in soft grey silk, Miss Hudspeith in a dainty white frock and jaunty hat, Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Pardee, Mrs. Almon, Mrs. Calderon, Mrs. Turnbull Mrs. Duncan Smith, and Mrs. Balmer Watt.

Mrs. Roy will spend part of the summer months at Gull Lake with her little family and her companion, Miss McCarthy.

Mr. Martin of the Crown Real Estate Co. leaves on Saturday for Calgary to meet his sister and Miss Rudolf from Vancouver, who are going to spend the summer in town; Miss Martin at her brother's camp on 16th street, and Miss Rudolf at the guest of her aunt, Madame Thibaud.

Mr. Mount Biggar is expected home from the continent early next week.

Mr. Harry Finn expects his mother and sister who are going, hereafter, to make their home in Edmonton, some time during the coming week.

Mrs. St. George Jellott's dance on Friday night to which reference was made in these columns last week, was a very successful affair indeed, all timers and new comers joining hands in the line old dances which contrary to the usual two step and valse numbers which comprise solely the programmes of to-day, added their own charm to the enjoyment of the evening. It seemed strange to dance again the rush polka, the military and other former favorites, but that they are not yet ancient history was demonstrated in the verve and grace with which they were carried through. Mr. and Mrs. Jellott assisted by Miss Fielders had the very large number of guests an hospitable welcome as they entered, the hostess most becomingly frocked in a handsome black gown and Miss Fielders wearing a pretty frock of pale mauve silk, with lace garniture.

The salle de danse was at all times the centre of interest, the double parlors being hardly adequate to accommodate the large numbers who were anxious to enjoy a fine floor, and the music furnished by the hostess and several of her guests.

In the library, on the stairs and in every available cosy corner, parties seemed to be enjoying the rare pleasure in Edmonton of a dance in a private house.

At midnight a delicious supper was served and only when the hands of the clock pointed to the seventh hours did the first guests depart, voices being heard in quest of a most enjoyable dance.

It was rather difficult in the limited space to single out the frocks and faces but some I noticed were: Madame Kirkpatrick, who with her husband and family of two have come to make their home in Edmonton, being at present the guests of Mr. Kirkpatrick's brother, Mr. R. F. Kirkpatrick, and who is a decidedly pretty brunette, and was daintily frocked in a lovely cream gown, and wearing a rich cream satin gown with handsome lace berthe, Miss Benson in a white satin with some glorious deep red roses on the corsage, lovely as ever; Miss Gertrude Hudspeith in black, evidently

enjoying herself immensely, Miss Helen in a soft blue crepe, and a little wreath in her hair, Mrs. Jackson in a charming pale blue frock, very becoming to her fair type of beauty, Miss Eleanor Taylor looking very stunning in pale blue, Mrs. Charlesworth always one of the prettiest women, Mrs. Jamieson, of Strathcona, Mrs. Frank Sommerville, Miss Vira, Toronto, Miss Shipley, Mrs. Lane wonderfully pretty in a dainty frock of pale blue with lace bolero, Mrs. Almon, and a great many others.

An impromptu dance, gotten up rather hurriedly by a number of young ladies with Mr. Berkeley Hishop, Mr. Harry Finn, Mr. Fred Robertson and Mr. Houre as leading spirits, whirled away the hours in merry fashion on Tuesday evening at Rennie's, when, with a first class floor, and excellent music the sixty or more guests enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

Outdoors it was the first really spring like evening we have had, and windows were thrown wide open on every side making one feel that Spring indeed had come at last. Perhaps the fact had something to do with making everyone look unusually bright and well, in any case such was the remark heard on all hands and certainly the dancers impressed on as each looking his and her best. I remarked Miss Benson in pale pink with a little wreath of pink roses in her hair, such a graceful and pretty dancer and popular partner, Mrs. Turnbull in white embroidered with lace over tulle, with a lovely arrangement of lace on skirt and the décolleté, a dancer remarkable for ease and grace in any assembly. Mrs. Seabrook the daintiest little figure, in a handsome cream lace robe with splendid turquoise ornament. Mrs. Pardee also in cream lace frock, looking exceedingly well and with hair prettily unaffected, Mrs. Frank Sommerville, becomingly gowned in black net, with a rich scarf of silver sequins. Miss Gertrude Hudspeith a charmingly unaffected girl, dressed in a fetching pink frock with dainty val lace and insertion, Mrs. Pace in white striped chiffon over pink tulle; Mrs. Bolton a smartly gowned woman, wearing a fashionable white confection with wreath of green in her hair and on the corsage; Miss McKenna, one of the prettiest partners, in pale green dimity with white embroidery, and pink carnations in her hair and on the décolleté; Miss Abby Sommerville in white, with dimity with hand embroidery, a dainty girlish frock and

very becoming; Miss Vira in white overdress with a green slip, and a black velvet band at the throat, and waist; Mrs. Bob, Robertson a little Dresden picture in a grey rose chiffon lace, much befrilled and just suiting her petite figure; Mrs. Holly Ross in grey velvet pink tulle. Miss Eleanor Taylor in white silk with very fine lace berthe, her hair softly dressed and decidedly a belle. Her cousin, Miss Taylor, in a figured white organdie with berthe of rich lace, a pretty animated girl who dances exceedingly well; Miss Gladys McLean in pink dotted muslin with a rosette of blue ribbon on the corsage, receiving a great deal of attention; Miss Madeline in a red organdie and black scarf; and Miss Grace Johnston a delightful girl, in white point d'esprit. Miss Mary Harris (who is always one of the most admired girls, in dainty pink flowered organdie.

Mrs. John Ross leaves this week for Nelson, B.C., to visit her daughter, Taylor, whose little son is very ill.

Empire Day will be suitably recognized by the Daughters of the Empire in Edmonton. Prizes have been offered by the Beaver House Chapter for the two best essays on the Daughters of the Empire meaning in the colonies of Great Britain written by grade 5 of the city public schools and the convent. The large number of essays now in the hands of the examiners show the great enthusiasm and interest with which the pupils have entered the competition. Patriotic exercises will be held in the McKay Ave. school on May 21 under the direction of the Beaver House Chapter, on which occasion the announcement of the results of the contest will be made public and the prizes awarded to the winners.

I regret very much that owing to the lateness of the event I cannot give an extended notice to Miss Forsyth's concert in the Opera House on Thursday night. From an artistic standpoint it was an unqualified success. Miss Forsyth proved herself a vocalist of very great ability and Edmonton can congratulate itself on such an acquisition to its musical circles. The work of Mrs. Wright, Mr. Statshaus and Mr. Hendra also came in for the warmest praise and the pity is that so few were present to enjoy such a genuine treat as was afforded.

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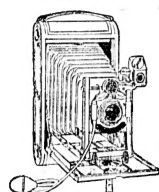
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In connection with the Bal Poudre the desire is expressed that all military men should wear their uniforms for the occasion.

Emil Griesbach has been elected the first president of the Gleichen Board of Trade.

Work has been commenced on the new traffic bridge at Medicine Hat.